



Genealogy Society
Of
Craighead County, Arkansas

This month's meeting will be held at
The Jonesboro Public Library

Next meeting: Sunday, May 20, 2001

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MAY 2001

MEETING HAPPENINGS: The April Meeting was a trip to the Arkansas History Commission. The trip was made 21 April 2001. Those that were able to go found some good information.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: The Executive Board met on 12 May 2001 at 2:00 p.m. at the Jonesboro Library.

1. After having a little difficulty with the printer, Volume 1 of the 1910 Census is there and will be bound by the end of the week.
2. The June meeting will be held on 24 June 2001. It has been moved one week because of Father's Day.
3. Next Executive Board Meeting will be 9 June 2001 at 2:00 pm at the Jonesboro Library.

DUES

Dues are \$15.00 a year. They can be mailed to GSCCA (Genealogy Society of Craighead County, Arkansas) P.O. Box 2614, Jonesboro, AR 72402-2614. We would be glad to have you with us.

MAY MEETING: The speaker for the May meeting will be Viola Meadows. She will speak to us about the Clover Bend Restoration.

1910 Craighead County Census

The 1910 Craighead County Census will be published in two volumes. Volume 1 will contain the following townships: Big Creek; Black Oak; Brookland; Buffalo; Gilkerson, Greenfield; Herndon; Powell; and part of Jonesboro (not including Jonesboro City).

Volume 2 will include Jonesboro City; Lake City; Lester; Little Texas; Prairie; Nettleton; Promised Land; Texas; and Maumelle. The townships follow the order in which they appear on the microfilm.

Volume 1 will be ready for purchase and Volume 2 should be ready this summer. The cost of each volume is \$30 for non-members and \$25 for members. The set may be purchased for \$50 for non-members and \$45 for members.

If you wish to purchase the set, we will mail Volume 1 to you now and Volume 2 as soon as it is ready.

JUNE MEETING: The June meeting will be held on 24 June 2001. It will be at the Jonesboro Library at 2:00. The program will be on Land Records.

NEWSLETTER: The newsletter is published monthly. You may have queries, stories, your family forms, etc. anything pertaining to genealogy, published. This is your newsletter, so use it and enjoy it. Send articles for publishing to: Nancy Matthews at 1811 S. Culberhouse, Jonesboro, AR 72401, e-mail: nlmatthews@insolwwb.net. We welcome all your articles, queries, etc. and will print them as room permits. The newsletter can also be viewed on the Internet at: <http://www.insolwwb.net/~nlmatthews/newsletter.htm>.

INDIGENT SOLDIERS of CRAIGHEAD COUNTY

Contributed by: Barbara McDaniel

LIST OF THE FAMILIES OF INDIGENT SOLDIERS IN CRAIGHEAD COUNTY

N.B. the broad tallies and (include the names of children, sisters as well as the ages of both) opposite the descriptive lines.

GAMBLE, JAMES	Kitchen's Regt	in service	Malissa age 30, wife and Geroge 9, James 6, Jane 4.
CALDWELL, JAMES	30th AR	in service	Nancy age 30, wife and James 7, Jane 5, Jacob 3.
COOK, HENRY JR.	Kitchen's Regt	in service	Mary age 23, wife and Samuel 6.
COOK, NEELY	Kitchen's Regt	in service	Joanah age 18, wife and James 1.
WILLIAMSON, JAMES	McGee's Bn	in service	Sarah, age 60, Mother.
LESTER, WILLIAM	25th AR	dead	Jane age 30, wife and Dixey 1.
MOORE, JOHN	25th AR	dead	Tersey age 32, wife and Lukey.
COOK, WILLIS	McCray's Regt	in service	Malinda age 50, Mother and Nancy 16, William 12.
BUTLER, MATHEW	25th AR	dead	Tennessee age 33, wife and 4 children (Not named).
GRAHAM, WILLIAM	25th AR	in service	Sarah age 23, wife and Thomas 5, James 1.
HENDRICKS, JAMES	Rogan's Regt	in service	Louisa age 18, wife and 1 child (Not named).

The undersigned composing the County Court of Craighead County do hereby certify that descriptive list was made out by our order from personal knowledge and information and careful inquiry and examination that all of said families are needy and destitute within the spirit and meaning of an act entitled "A act to provide for the relief of needy and destitute families of soldiers in this state", approved 1 December 1862, that each of said soldiers was or is the father, husband, brother, or son in a family depending upon him for support, that every soldier is or has been in the army of the state or confederate states, that those not now in the army have died or been killed while in the service or discharged for disability caused by the service and which continues to such an extent as to prevent his supporting his family, that in no case is there any adult male who is able to support the family.

Given under our hands on this the 26th day of October AD 1864.

Y. Broadaway, Judge

J. M. Broadaway, Asst judge

John T. Cook, Asst judge

I Yancy Broadaway, presiding judge of the County Court of Craighead County, do do hereby certify that Francis M. Davis is clerk of this Court and that he has executed his hand as required under the provisions of act entitled "An act to provide for the relief of needy and destitute families of soldiers in this state approved December 1, 1862. Witness my hand as such judge this 26th day of October 1864.

Y. Broadaway, Judge

I Francis M. Davis, clerk of the County Court, in and for the County of Craighead, hereby certify that the a above is a full, true and complete copy of the descriptive list in this county by the County Court under an act entitled An act to provide for the relief of needy and destitute families of soldiers in this State" approved December 1st, 1864.

Witness my hand as such clerk and the seal of said Court

this 26th day of October AD 1864

Francis M. Davis

SEAL

BEGINNER CLASSES

Beginner classes have been scheduled. The cost of each two-part class is \$25. The fee for the class includes *Walking Through Your Past: A Guide to Finding Your Roots*. If you would like to attend or know someone that is interested, please contact Betty Woodall at 931-4111 or Nancy Matthews at 933-8153.

Monday & Tuesday June 4 & 5 from 6:00 to 8:00.

Monday & Tuesday July 16 & 17 from 6:00 to 8:00.

"There are no days in life so memorable as those which vibrated to some stroke of the imagination."

--- Ralph Waldo Emerson

RIDGE ROOTS 2001

A Genealogy Seminar

29 September 2001
9:00 – 4:00
Speaker: Dan Littlefield
Indian Research
Cherokee
Choctaw
Shawnee
Others

Family Life Center at Cathedral Baptist Church

Pre-registration \$20.00 (non members) \$15.00 (members)
Registration at the door \$25.00

Vendor Tables available -- \$10.00 each

EHC to serve lunch – about \$6.50

Future issues of the newsletter will contain more about the seminar including directions.

PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

Many of us are working on individual projects. The idea is to either print books or post this information on the Internet. As everyone knows these projects take a lot of time and effort. So that we do not to duplicate efforts, we would like to list those projects in our newsletter.

Individual Projects:

Abstracting early Monette Sun Newspapers – Joyce Whitten.
Early Marriages of Clay County, Arkansas (Corning Courthouse) – Dorothy McCarns
Early Divorces of Clay County, Arkansas (Corning Courthouse) – Gina Horton
1890 Craighead County Property Taxes – Nancy Matthews

Society Projects:

Obituary Index
Cemetery Book -- Volume VI

Unmarked Graves Located By Obituaries / Death Notices Published in
The Monette Sun Newspaper

Compiled by Joyce Whitten

Black Oak Cemetery

FISHER, Mrs. Mamie, age 18 w/o J.R. Fisher d: 15 Oct 1921, remains brought from Jonesboro to Black Oak (most likely buried there)

JOHNSON, baby *buried* 16 Oct 1921 child of Martan (sic) Johnson

Keller's Chapel Cemetery

WIMPHY, Lamar, age 45 d: 17 Oct 1921

Lake City Cemetery

McALISTER, Harriet McDonald d: 20 Nov 1921

MURREY, Bryan d: 18 Jan 1922

STEPHENS, Mrs. A. J., age 65, married about 8 years ago, maiden name Ragsdale,
d: 24 Jun 1922.

Mangrum Cemetery

DUNLAP, Mrs. Annie wife of Fred, d: 15 Jan 1921

MANGRUM, Anna Myrtle (child) died 6 Jun 1920 daughter of Mrs. & Mrs. John

Monette Cemetery

ADAMS, John D. Jr. d: 4 Oct 1921

ALEXANDER, A. J. (male) age 60 died at Leachville, remains brought to Monette,
d: 15 Dec 1920.

BLANKENSHIP, twins 24 Sep 1920 children of Mrs. & Mrs. Blankenship

CALVERT, infant died 23 July 1920 child of Mrs. & Mrs. Mack Calvert (parents are marked)

HAYNES, Crystal d: 19 Nov 1920, daughter of E.P. Haynes (he is buried there, she is most likely buried there)

JUSTICE, Parlea, wife of Charlie, d: 25 Jan 1921

LUNSFORD, A. R. (male) 20 Nov 1921

Do you have an old issue of a newspaper containing news of Craighead County? If you are willing to abstract the news from that paper, we would love to publish your abstract in our Society Newsletter.

MEMBER BOOKS FOR SALE

Some members have already produced books. If you have produced a book and would like to have it listed for sale in the newsletter and/or on the Internet, please contact me, Nancy Matthews at 1811 S. Culberhouse, Jonesboro, AR 72401, e-mail: nlmatthews@insolwwb.net.

Grandma's Recipe For Doing The Family Wash

This is an authentic washday "receipt", in its original spelling as it was written out, for a bride four generations ago:

- 1. Bild a fire in back yard to heet kettle of rain water.
- 2. Set tubs so smoke won't blow in your eyes.
- 3. Shave one hole cake lie sope in bilin water.
- 4. Sort thing, make three piles. 1 pile white, 1 pile cullord. 1 pile work britches and rags.
- 5. Stur flour in cold water to smooth, then thin down with bilin water.
- 6. Rub dirty spots on board, scrub hard, then bile. Rub cullord, but don't bile - just rench and starch.
- 7. Take white things our of kettle with broom stick handle, then rench, blew, and starch.
- 8. Spred tee towels on grass
- 9. Hang old rags on fence.
- 10. Scrub porch with hot sopey water
- 11. Turn tubs upside down.
- 12. Go put on cleen dress - smooth hair with side combs - brew cup of tee - set and rest and rock a spell and count blessins.

~Author Unknown~

NEW at the FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

The new IGI (International Genealogical Index) has arrived at the Family History Center in Jonesboro. It consists of 31 CD's.

BOOKS -- BOOKS -- BOOKS

- 1910 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas – Volume 1** – 308 pages – indexed
price 30.00 includes postage
- 1910 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas – Volume 2** – 360 pages – indexed
price 30.00 includes postage (available summer 2001)
- 1910 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas – 2 Volume Set** – 308 pages – indexed
price 50.00 includes postage
- 1900 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas** -- about 437 pages – indexed
price 35.00 includes postage
- 1880 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas** -- 168 pages – indexed
price 18.00 includes postage
- 1870 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas** -- 117 pages – indexed
price 15.00 includes postage
- 1860 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas** -- 81 pages – indexed
price 12.00 plus postage
- 1860, 1870 & 1880 Census of Craighead County, Arkansas** -- Three book set.
price \$40.00 includes postage
- Cemeteries of Craighead County, Arkansas -- Volume I** – indexed
price \$30.00 includes postage
- Cemeteries of Craighead County, Arkansas -- Volume II** – indexed
price \$30.00 includes postage
- Cemeteries of Craighead County, Arkansas -- Volume III** – indexed
price \$30.00 includes postage
- Cemeteries of Craighead County, Arkansas -- Three Volume Set**
price \$75.00 includes postage
- Walking Through Your Past: A Guide to Finding Your Roots**
price \$15.00 includes postage

This for is for our upcoming book on our members surnames that they are researching. Please include all the surnames of your family lineage.

NAME _____

STREET _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

SURNAMES _____

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DUES ARE \$15.00 PER YEAR DUE ON THE 1ST DAY OF JANUARY.

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